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NLRB ANNOUNCES RE-OPENING OF THE NEW ORLEANS REGIONAL OFFICE (REGION 15) AFTER THE TEMPORARY CLOSING CAUSED BY HURRICANE GUSTAV

National Labor Relations Board's General Counsel Ronald Meisburg announced today that the Board's New Orleans, LA Regional Office (Region 15) will re-open to the public at 1515 Poydras Street, Room 610, New Orleans, LA 70112-3723 on Monday, September 8, 2008. The New Orleans Regional Office was temporarily closed due to the evacuation of New Orleans resulting from Hurricane Gustav.

During the three days that the New Orleans Office was closed, cases were handled through the Memphis, TN Regional Office (Region 26). Starting on September 8, 2008, charges, petitions, written and telephone inquiries involving situations within the traditional geographical jurisdiction of Region 15 should be directed to the address listed above. The telephone number for the New Orleans Regional Office is (504) 589-6361.

In making this announcement, General Counsel Meisburg stated:

We are happy to reopen the New Orleans Regional Office to employers, unions and individuals and members of the labor-management community served by this office. I also wish to welcome back on behalf of the Board and the General Counsel all of the dedicated staff of Region 15 who are returning to their jobs after the substantial disruption caused by Hurricane Gustav.

The NLRB administers and enforces the National Labor Relations Act. In enforcing this law, the NLRB conducts secret-ballot elections to determine whether employees desire union representation and investigates, prosecutes and remedies unfair labor practices committed by employers and unions.